



MEMORANDUM

December 14, 2006

File No. 06-121404

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Rochelle Knust, SEPA Center Manager

SUBJECT: **SEPA LEAD AGENCY & DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE**

This is to advise you that pursuant to WAC 197-11-900 (922 through 948), the Department of Natural Resources has determined that it is Lead Agency for the following:

This proposal is to construct an interpretive site within the Kennedy Creek Natural Area Preserve, to provide a place for students and other visitors to view the estuary and learn about the site's important ecological and cultural features. The site design includes improvements to the existing access trail, and development of three interpretive areas or "nodes" with signs that describe the shorebirds, salmon and other features on the estuary, and a three-tiered overlook for estuary viewing. The project area is already disturbed with an infestation of non-native plants and the site is frequently used for garbage dumping. As part of the proposal, the invasive plant materials will be removed and the site will be planted with native species. Located in Section 29, Township 19 North, Range 03 West, W.M., Mason County.

Information about this proposal including the Threshold Determination and SEPA Checklist can be viewed on DNR's website at:

<http://www.dnr.wa.gov/sepa>

Pursuant to WAC 332-41-504, this proposal was filed in the department's SEPA Center at the Natural Resources Building, 1111 Washington Street SE, P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington, on December 14, 2006. We will consider comments on this proposed DNS received by 4:30 p.m. on December 28, 2006. **Comments should be submitted to the SEPA Center at, dnrmisepacenter@dnr.wa.gov or P.O. Box 47015, Olympia, Washington 98504-7015 for distribution to the responsible official. Please include the file number listed above on all comments.**